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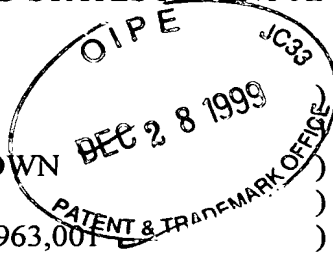
In re Application of

PAUL ANSON BROWN

Application No.: 08/963,001

Filed: October 31, 1997

For: **DEVICE CONTROL
APPARATUS HAVING INPUT
DEVICE SELECTION SWITCH
WITH RUBBERIZED KEY (as
amended)**



Group Art Unit: 3108

Examiner: A.M. Qureshi

RESPONSE TO OFFICE
ACTION

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Dear Sir or Madam:

This is in response to Office Action mailed October 1, 1999 in the above-referenced application. Please amend the application as follows.

IN THE TITLE:

Amend the title to read as follows:

**--DEVICE CONTROL APPARATUS HAVING INPUT DEVICE
SELECTION SWITCH WITH RUBBERIZED KEY--**

IN THE CLAIMS:

Cancel claims 6-20 without prejudice.

Amend claims 1, 2, 5, to read as follows:

1. (Amended) A device control apparatus, comprising:
control circuitry having first terminals and second terminals, said
control circuitry being configured to [assert] generate a first input device

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